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Tender

Specialist Audit Services Framework

National Audit Office

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

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NUTS code

UKI - London

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.nao.org.uk/>

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

www.delta-esourcing.com

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

www.delta-esourcing.com

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Specialist Audit Services Framework

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Specialist Audit Services Framework

Reference number

GEN_21_29

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79200000 - Accounting, auditing and fiscal services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The National Audit Office (NAO) is the UK's independent public spending watchdog. We support Parliament in holding government to account and we help to improve public services through our high-quality audits. The NAO's Specialist Audit Service Framework is a fundamental part of being able to carry out our purpose and achieve our objectives. We are looking for firms who we can work in partnership with to ensure the delivery of high-quality audits which support effective accountability and lead to better financial reporting and financial management by public bodies. Our contract is divided into 3 Lots

- Lot 1 – Pensions
- Lot 2 – Property
- Lots 3 – Digital Financial Audit

For more information on this framework please access www.delta-esourcing.com

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £6,170,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

Maximum number of lots that may be awarded to one tenderer: 3

The contracting authority reserves the right to award contracts combining the following lots or groups of lots:

- Lot 1 – Pensions
- Lot 2 – Property
- Lots 3 – Digital Financial Audit

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Pensions

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79200000 - Accounting, auditing and fiscal services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKI - London

Main site or place of performance

LONDON

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Pension

The provision of actuarial specialist advice and engagement to support the delivery of NAO audits across sectors over the 2021-22, 2022-23 2023-24 and 2024-25 audit cycles. Within this Lot, the supplier will be required to provide the following services:

Actuarial expert secondments

Direct support to NAO audits

Support to the NAO's Pensions Centre of Expertise

Training and support to NAO audit teams

Learning and development for the NAO's Pensions Centre of Expertise

Specialist skills

Please refer to ITT for more detail.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £2,000,000

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Consideration of Framework renewal shall be detailed within ITT Document, Suppliers are requested to refer to the published ITT document for further information.

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.12) Information about electronic catalogues

Tenders must be presented in the form of electronic catalogues or include an electronic catalogue

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Property

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79200000 - Accounting, auditing and fiscal services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKI - London

Main site or place of performance

LONDON

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Property

The provision of actuarial specialist advice and engagement to support the delivery of NAO audits across sectors over the 2021-22, 2022-23 2023-24 and 2024-25 audit cycles. Within this Lot, the supplier will be required to provide the following services:

Training and support to NAO audit teams

Training for the NAO's Property Centre of Expertise

Direct support to NAO audits

Support to the NAO's Property Centre of Expertise

Specialist skills

Secondments

Please refer to ITT for more detail.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £2,850,000

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

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II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.12) Information about electronic catalogues

Tenders must be presented in the form of electronic catalogues or include an electronic catalogue

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Digital Financial Audit

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79200000 - Accounting, auditing and fiscal services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKI - London

Main site or place of performance

LONDON

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The NAO combines the use of digital tools, techniques and expertise to support the Financial Audit Service Line in auditing risks arising from digital solutions relevant to financial reporting across government. This includes applying IT audit and data enabled techniques, evaluating and testing controls within and associated with information systems relevant to financial reporting and providing expert advice and support for other digital matters. We further combine the management, operation and support of our audit tools, such as our data ingestion and analysis solutions, audit management and documentation solutions into our Digital Financial Audit team. We are seeking suppliers capable of providing Digital Financial Audit skills to support the delivery of NAO audits over the 2021-22, 2022-23, 2023-24 and 2024-25 audit cycles. Within this Lot, the supplier will be required to provide the following services:

Direct support to NAO audits

Support to the NAO's Digital Financial Audit Team

Training and support to NAO audit teams

Training for the NAO's Digital Financial Audit team

Specialist skills

Secondments

Please refer to ITT for more detail.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £1,320,000

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

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Options: No

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II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

List and brief description of conditions

Please refer to the procurement documents

III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

III.2) Conditions related to the contract

III.2.2) Contract performance conditions

Please refer to the procurement documents

III.2.3) Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract

Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

15 October 2021

Local time

12:00pm

IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

15 October 2021

Local time

12:00pm

Place

london

Information about authorised persons and opening procedure

procurement team

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

VI.3) Additional information

The contracting authority considers that this contract may be suitable for economic operators that are small or medium enterprises (SMEs). However, any selection of tenderers will be based solely on the criteria set out for the procurement.

For more information about this opportunity, please visit the Delta eSourcing portal at:

<https://www.delta-esourcing.com/tenders/UK-UK-Victoria:-Accounting%2C-auditing-and-fiscal-services./5D66Y4BDSF>

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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